

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of: )  
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Serial No.: 10/827,457 )  
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Art Unit: 1715 )  
Examiner: Marianne L. Padgett )  
Confirmation No: 2984 )  
For: METHOD FOR FORMING PATTERN )  
AND DROP DISCHARGE APPARATUS )

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i) copies of cited US patent and US patent application publications are not submitted herewith.

**REFERENCES CITED HEREIN**

US reference 2003/0003231 A1 submitted herewith was cited by the Taiwan Patent Office in counterpart Taiwanese application no. TW 93111261, in an Office Action mailed to Applicants on January 25, 2011.

No inference should be drawn that the attached list sets forth a comprehensive investigation of the prior art, that any or all are pertinent to the invention, or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

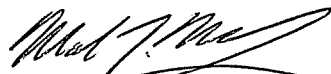
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**FEE**

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Respectfully submitted,



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